

1 Approach taken for the calculation in the program

In my Python program that calculates the required values, I have divided it into 2 main parts, one of which consists of several function modules and the other consists of calculations of the jet downstream for both the simple and non-simple regions.

1.1 Function Modules

I started the task by creating as many function modules as possible without the knowledge of how frequently they would be used in the actual calculations. In the later part of the programming, a few functions that are similar to the existing ones were added due to impracticality to edit the large portion of already written lines for the sake of slight increase in neatness and decrease in number of lines.

Brief explanations have been given for each of the function modules as there were no need to explicitly mention the inputs and outputs which were very simple to grasp from one look.

```
1  """ Function modules """
2
3  gamma_ratio = np.sqrt( (gamma + 1) / (gamma - 1) )
4
5  def Mach_Prandtl(M):
6      '''
7      Converts Mach number to nu (Prandtl-Meyer angle)
8      '''
9      nu = gamma_ratio * np.arctan( 1 / gamma_ratio * np.sqrt(M*M - 1) ) - np.arctan(
10         ↪ np.sqrt(M*M - 1) )
11
12     return nu
13
14 def Prandtl_Mach(nu):
15     '''
16     Converts nu (Prandtl-Meyer angle) to Mach number
17     '''
18     func = lambda x: gamma_ratio * np.arctan( 1 / gamma_ratio * np.sqrt(x*x - 1) ) -
19         ↪ np.arctan( np.sqrt(x*x - 1) ) - nu
20     Mach = scipy.optimize.fsolve(func, 2.0)[0]
21
22     return Mach
23
24 def Mach_mu(M):
25     '''
26     Converts Mach number to mu (angle between flow and characteristic)
27     '''
28     if M == 0:
29         mu = 0 # To accomodate for the slope of centerline
30     else:
31         mu = np.arcsin(1 / M)
32
33     return mu
34
35 def char_angle(mu, phi, slope="plus"):
36     '''
37     Calculates the angle characteristic line makes with horizontal
38     slope = "plus" or "minus"
39     '''
40     if slope == "plus":
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39     angle = mu + phi
40 elif slope == "minus":
41     angle = phi - mu
42
43     return angle
44
45 def isentropic_M(M_1, P_1, P_2):
46     '''
47     Calculates the Mach number of region 2 which is isentropically related to region 1
48     '''
49     M_2 = np.sqrt( 2 / (gamma - 1) * ( (P_1 / P_2) ** ( (gamma - 1) / gamma) * ( 1 +
50         ↪ (gamma - 1) / 2 * M_1 * M_1 ) - 1 ) )
51
52     return M_2
53
54 def characteristic(Prandtl_1, phi_1, Prandtl_2=None, phi_2=None, slope="plus"):
55     '''
56     Calculates properties of the characteristic line
57     '''
58     if slope == "plus":
59         if Prandtl_2 != None:
60             value = Prandtl_2 - Prandtl_1 + phi_1 # value is phi
61         elif phi_2 != None:
62             value = Prandtl_1 - phi_1 + phi_2 # value is Prandtl
63     elif slope == "minus":
64         if Prandtl_2 != None:
65             value = Prandtl_1 + phi_1 - Prandtl_2 # value is phi
66         elif phi_2 != None:
67             value = Prandtl_1 + phi_1 - phi_2 # value is Prandtl
68
69     return value
70
71 def intersect_para(Prandtl_1, phi_1, Prandtl_2, phi_2):
72     '''
73     Calculates Prandtl-Meyer angle and phi at interaction point of 2 characteristics
74     1 is plus characteristic
75     2 is minus characteristic
76     '''
77     Prandtl = 0.5 * (Prandtl_1 + Prandtl_2) + 0.5 * (phi_2 - phi_1)
78     phi = 0.5 * (phi_1 + phi_2) + 0.5 * (Prandtl_2 - Prandtl_1)
79
80     return Prandtl, phi
81
82 def intersect_loc(M_1, phi_1, coord_1, M_2, phi_2, coord_2):
83     '''
84     Calculates the location of the intersection between 2 characteristics
85     '''
86     mu_1 = Mach_mu(M_1)
87     mu_2 = Mach_mu(M_2)
88
89     slope_1 = np.tan( char_angle(mu_1, phi_1, "plus") )
90     slope_2 = np.tan( char_angle(mu_2, phi_2, "minus") )
91
92     x_1, y_1 = coord_1
93     x_2, y_2 = coord_2
94
95     x_loc = ( slope_1 * x_1 - y_1 - slope_2 * x_2 + y_2 ) / ( slope_1 - slope_2 )
96     y_loc = slope_1 * (x_loc - x_1) + y_1
97
98     return x_loc, y_loc

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99 def intersect_centerline(Prandtl, phi, coord):
100     '''
101     Calculates the properties of intersection between expansion wave and centerline
102     '''
103     Prandtl_c = Prandtl + phi
104     phi_c = 0
105
106     mu = Mach_mu(Prandtl_Mach(Prandtl))
107     slope = np.tan( char_angle(mu, phi, "minus") )
108     slope_c = 0
109     x, y = coord
110     x_c, y_c = 0, H/2
111
112     x_loc = ( slope * x - y - slope_c * x_c + y_c ) / ( slope - slope_c )
113     y_loc = slope * (x_loc - x) + y
114
115     return Prandtl_c, phi_c, x_loc, y_loc
116
117
118 def intersect_boundary(Prandtl_bound, M_bound, coord_bound, Prandtl, phi, coord,
119     ↪ order="not0"):
120     '''
121     Calculates properties at the jet boundary line
122     '''
123     phi_bound = Prandtl_bound - Prandtl + phi
124     mu_bound = Mach_mu(M_bound)
125     M = Prandtl_Mach(Prandtl)
126     mu = Mach_mu(M)
127
128     if order == "0":
129         slope_bound = np.tan(region_ABC()[0][-1])
130     else:
131         slope_bound = np.tan(phi_bound)
132     slope_wave = np.tan( char_angle(mu, phi, "plus") )
133
134     x_bound, y_bound = coord_bound
135     x_wave, y_wave = coord
136
137     x_loc = ( slope_bound * x_bound - y_bound - slope_wave * x_wave + y_wave ) / (
138         ↪ slope_bound - slope_wave )
139     y_loc = slope_bound * (x_loc - x_bound) + y_bound
140
141     return phi_bound, x_loc, y_loc
142
143
144 def intersect_stream(stream_coord, stream_slope, char_coord, char_slope):
145     '''
146     Calculates intersection between the streamline and characteristics
147     '''
148     x_1, y_1 = stream_coord
149     x_2, y_2 = char_coord
150     x_loc = ( stream_slope * x_1 - y_1 - char_slope * x_2 + y_2 ) / ( stream_slope -
151         ↪ char_slope )
152     y_loc = stream_slope * (x_loc - x_1) + y_1
153
154     return x_loc, y_loc
155
156
157 def linear_func(slope, coord, input_x):
158     '''
159     Calculates corresponding y-coordinate pair of x-coordinate on a given function
160     defined by a slope and a pair of coordinates
161     '''

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156     xi, yi = coord
157     f = slope * (input_x - xi) + yi
158
159     return f

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1.2 Main calculations of jet downstream

When I realised that a large number of lines of code could have been cut down from implementing a flexible function for simple and non-simple regions, it was too late thus I have written a function for each region and they are namely:

- ABC: Simple region 1 - Global region 0
- BCE: Non-simple region 1 - Global region 1
- CDEF: Simple region 2 - Global region 2
- DFG: Non-simple region - Global region 3
- FGH: Simple region 3 - Global region 4
- HIJK: Non-simple region 3 - Global region 5
 - Points I, J and K are not specified in the figure included in the task document. They are the corner points that forms the third non-simple region together with point H.

Little to no calculations were done for the simple regions. However, the parameters in these regions were set up to aid the debugging and also to maintain consistency in each region affecting the very next subsequent region. Furthermore, as for the global region 3, calculations regarding the jet boundary line were also included which gives gradient of the line as an output (although it is named as `phi_jet`).

```

1  """ Calculation of Regions """
2
3  def region_ABC():
4      '''
5      Calculates properties of initial expansion wave in the simple region
6      '''
7      phi_0, Prandtl_0, M_0 = np.zeros((N+1)), np.zeros((N+1)), np.zeros((N+1))
8      M_0[0] = Me
9      Prandtl_0[0] = Mach_Prandtl(M_0[0])
10     Prandtl_0[-1] = Mach_Prandtl( isentropic_M(M_0[0], Pe, Pa) ) # Pressure
11     ↪ values are used here
12     M_0[-1] = Prandtl_Mach(Prandtl_0[-1])
13     phi_0[-1] = characteristic(Prandtl_0[0], phi_0[0], Prandtl_0[-1], None,
14     ↪ "plus")
15     Delta_phi_0 = (phi_0[-1] - phi_0[0]) / (N - 1)
16
17     for i in range(1, N):
18         phi_0[i] = phi_0[i-1] + Delta_phi_0
19         Prandtl_0[i] = characteristic(Prandtl_0[i-1], phi_0[i-1], None, phi_0[i], "plus")
20         M_0[i] = Prandtl_Mach(Prandtl_0[i])
21
22     return phi_0, Prandtl_0, M_0
23
24 def region_BCE():
25     '''
26     Calculates properties of the wave during reflection in the non-simple region
27     '''
28     phi_0, Prandtl_0, M_0 = region_ABC()
29     phi_1, Prandtl_1, M_1 = np.zeros((N,N)), np.zeros((N,N)), np.zeros((N,N))
30     x_loc, y_loc = np.zeros((N,N)), np.zeros((N,N))
31
32     for j in range(N):

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32     if j == 0:
33         Prandtl_1[j,j], phi_1[j,j], x_loc[j,j], y_loc[j,j] =
34             ↪ intersect_centerline(Prandtl_0[j], phi_0[j], coord_e)
35         M_1[j,j] = Prandtl_Mach(Prandtl_1[j,j])
36     else:
37         Prandtl_1[j,j], phi_1[j,j], x_loc[j,j], y_loc[j,j] =
38             ↪ intersect_centerline(Prandtl_1[j-1,j], phi_1[j-1,j], (x_loc[j-1,j],
39             ↪ y_loc[j-1,j]))
40         M_1[j,j] = Prandtl_Mach(Prandtl_1[j,j])
41
42     for i in range(j+1,N):
43         if j == 0:
44             Prandtl_1[j,i], phi_1[j,i] = intersect_para(Prandtl_1[j,i-1],
45             ↪ phi_1[j,i-1], Prandtl_0[i], phi_0[i])
46             M_1[j,i] = Prandtl_Mach(Prandtl_1[j,i])
47             x_loc[j,i], y_loc[j,i] = intersect_loc(M_1[j,i-1], phi_1[j,i-1],
48             ↪ (x_loc[j,i-1], y_loc[j,i-1]), M_0[i], phi_0[i], coord_e)
49         else:
50             Prandtl_1[j,i], phi_1[j,i] = intersect_para(Prandtl_1[j,i-1],
51             ↪ phi_1[j,i-1], Prandtl_1[j-1,i], phi_1[j-1,i])
52             M_1[j,i] = Prandtl_Mach(Prandtl_1[j,i])
53             x_loc[j,i], y_loc[j,i] = intersect_loc(M_1[j,i-1], phi_1[j,i-1],
54             ↪ (x_loc[j,i-1], y_loc[j,i-1]), M_1[j-1,i], phi_1[j-1,i],
55             ↪ (x_loc[j-1,i], y_loc[j-1,i]))
56
57     return phi_1, Prandtl_1, M_1, x_loc, y_loc
58
59 def region_CDEF():
60     '''
61     Sets up the parameters for characteristics in the simple region
62     '''
63     phi_2, Prandtl_2, M_2, x_2, y_2 = np.zeros((N)), np.zeros((N)), np.zeros((N)),
64     ↪ np.zeros((N)), np.zeros((N))
65     phi_1, Prandtl_1, M_1, x_1, y_1 = region_BCE()
66
67     for i in range(N):
68         phi_2[i] = phi_1[i,-1]
69         Prandtl_2[i] = Prandtl_1[i,-1]
70         M_2[i] = M_1[i,-1]
71         x_2[i] = x_1[i,-1]
72         y_2[i] = y_1[i,-1]
73
74     return phi_2, Prandtl_2, M_2, x_2, y_2
75
76 def region_DFG():
77     '''
78     Calculates properties of the wave during reflection in the non-simple region
79     ↪ including the shape of the jet boundary line
80     '''
81     phi_0, Prandtl_0, M_0 = region_ABC() # information about initial jet
82     ↪ boundary line
83     phi_2, Prandtl_2, M_2, x_2, y_2 = region_CDEF()
84     phi_3, Prandtl_3, M_3, x_loc, y_loc = np.zeros((N,N)), np.zeros((N,N)),
85     ↪ np.zeros((N,N)), np.zeros((N,N)), np.zeros((N,N))
86
87     # Jet boundary line parameters
88     phi_jet, angle_jet = np.zeros((N+1)), np.zeros((N+1))
89     Prandtl_jet = Prandtl_0[-1] # Constant along boundary line
90     M_jet = M_0[-1] # Constant along boundary line
91     mu_jet = Mach_mu(M_jet) # Constant along boundary line

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81     phi_jet[0] = Prandtl_jet - Prandtl_2[0] + phi_2[0]
82
83     for j in range(N):
84         if j == 0:
85             phi_3[j,j], x_loc[j,j], y_loc[j,j] = intersect_boundary(Prandtl_jet, M_jet,
86                 ↪ coord_e, Prandtl_2[j], phi_2[j], (x_2[j], y_2[j]), "0")
87             Prandtl_3[j,j] = Prandtl_jet
88             M_3[j,j] = M_jet
89         else:
90             phi_3[j,j], x_loc[j,j], y_loc[j,j] = intersect_boundary(Prandtl_jet, M_jet,
91                 ↪ (x_loc[j-1,j-1], y_loc[j-1,j-1]), Prandtl_3[j-1,j], phi_3[j-1,j],
92                 ↪ (x_loc[j-1,j], y_loc[j-1,j]))
93             Prandtl_3[j,j] = Prandtl_jet
94             M_3[j,j] = M_jet
95             phi_jet[j+1] = np.tan(phi_3[j,j])
96
97     for i in range(j+1,N):
98         if j == 0:
99             Prandtl_3[j,i], phi_3[j,i] = intersect_para(Prandtl_2[i], phi_2[i],
100                 ↪ Prandtl_3[j,i-1], phi_3[j,i-1])
101             M_3[j,i] = Prandtl_Mach(Prandtl_3[j,i])
102             x_loc[j,i], y_loc[j,i] = intersect_loc(M_2[i], phi_2[i], (x_2[i],
103                 ↪ y_2[i]), M_3[j,i-1], phi_3[j,i-1], (x_loc[j,i-1], y_loc[j,i-1]))
104         else:
105             Prandtl_3[j,i], phi_3[j,i] = intersect_para(Prandtl_3[j-1,i],
106                 ↪ phi_3[j-1,i], Prandtl_3[j,i-1], phi_3[j,i-1])
107             M_3[j,i] = Prandtl_Mach(Prandtl_3[j,i])
108             x_loc[j,i], y_loc[j,i] = intersect_loc(M_3[j-1,i], phi_3[j-1,i],
109                 ↪ (x_loc[j-1,i], y_loc[j-1,i]), M_3[j,i-1], phi_3[j,i-1],
110                 ↪ (x_loc[j,i-1], y_loc[j,i-1]))
111
112     return phi_3, Prandtl_3, M_3, x_loc, y_loc, phi_jet
113
114 def region_FGHI():
115     '''
116     Sets up the parameters for characteristics in the simple region
117     '''
118     phi_3, Prandtl_3, M_3, x_3, y_3 = region_DFG()[::-1]
119     phi_4, Prandtl_4, M_4, x_4, y_4 = np.zeros((N)), np.zeros((N)), np.zeros((N)),
120     ↪ np.zeros((N)), np.zeros((N))
121
122     for i in range(N):
123         phi_4[i] = phi_3[i,-1]
124         Prandtl_4[i] = Prandtl_3[i,-1]
125         M_4[i] = M_3[i,-1]
126         x_4[i] = x_3[i,-1]
127         y_4[i] = y_3[i,-1]
128
129     return phi_4, Prandtl_4, M_4, x_4, y_4
130
131 def region_HIJK():
132     '''
133     Calculates properties of the wave during reflection in the non-simple region
134     '''
135     phi_4, Prandtl_4, M_4, x_4, y_4 = region_FGHI()
136     phi_5, Prandtl_5, M_5, x_loc, y_loc = np.zeros((N,N)), np.zeros((N,N)),
137     ↪ np.zeros((N,N)), np.zeros((N,N)), np.zeros((N,N))
138
139     for j in range(N):
140         if j == 0:

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131     Prandtl_5[j,j], phi_5[j,j], x_loc[j,j], y_loc[j,j] =
        ↪ intersect_centerline(Prandtl_4[j], phi_4[j], (x_4[0], y_4[0]))
132     M_5[j,j] = Prandtl_Mach(Prandtl_5[j,j])
133     else:
134         Prandtl_5[j,j], phi_5[j,j], x_loc[j,j], y_loc[j,j] =
        ↪ intersect_centerline(Prandtl_5[j-1,j], phi_5[j-1,j], (x_loc[j-1,j],
        ↪ y_loc[j-1,j]))
135         M_5[j,j] = Prandtl_Mach(Prandtl_5[j,j])
136
137     for i in range(j+1,N):
138         if j == 0:
139             Prandtl_5[j,i], phi_5[j,i] = intersect_para(Prandtl_5[j,i-1],
        ↪ phi_5[j,i-1], Prandtl_4[i], phi_4[i])
140             M_5[j,i] = Prandtl_Mach(Prandtl_5[j,i])
141             x_loc[j,i], y_loc[j,i] = intersect_loc(M_5[j,i-1], phi_5[j,i-1],
        ↪ (x_loc[j,i-1], y_loc[j,i-1]), M_4[i], phi_4[i], (x_4[i], y_4[i]))
142         else:
143             Prandtl_5[j,i], phi_5[j,i] = intersect_para(Prandtl_5[j,i-1],
        ↪ phi_5[j,i-1], Prandtl_5[j-1,i], phi_5[j-1,i])
144             M_5[j,i] = Prandtl_Mach(Prandtl_5[j,i])
145             x_loc[j,i], y_loc[j,i] = intersect_loc(M_5[j,i-1], phi_5[j,i-1],
        ↪ (x_loc[j,i-1], y_loc[j,i-1]), M_5[j-1,i], phi_5[j-1,i],
        ↪ (x_loc[j-1,i], y_loc[j-1,i]))
146
147     return phi_5, Prandtl_5, M_5, x_loc, y_loc
148
149
150     """ Main """
151
152     phi_0, Prandtl_0, M_0 = region_ABC() # 1D matrices
153     phi_1, Prandtl_1, M_1, x_1, y_1 = region_BCE() # upper triangle 2D
        ↪ matrices
154     phi_2, Prandtl_2, M_2, x_2, y_2 = region_CDEF() # 1D matrices
155     phi_3, Prandtl_3, M_3, x_3, y_3, jetbound_angle = region_DFG() # upper triangle 2D
        ↪ matrices
156     phi_4, Prandtl_4, M_4, x_4, y_4 = region_FGHI() # 1D matrices
157     phi_5, Prandtl_5, M_5, x_5, y_5 = region_HIJK() # upper triangle 2D
        ↪ matrices

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2 Visualisation of the characteristic and the jet boundary

Using the Python scripts as shown in section 1 and another set of scripts to reorder the values in the matrices to allow for plotting, the Figure 1 was produced.

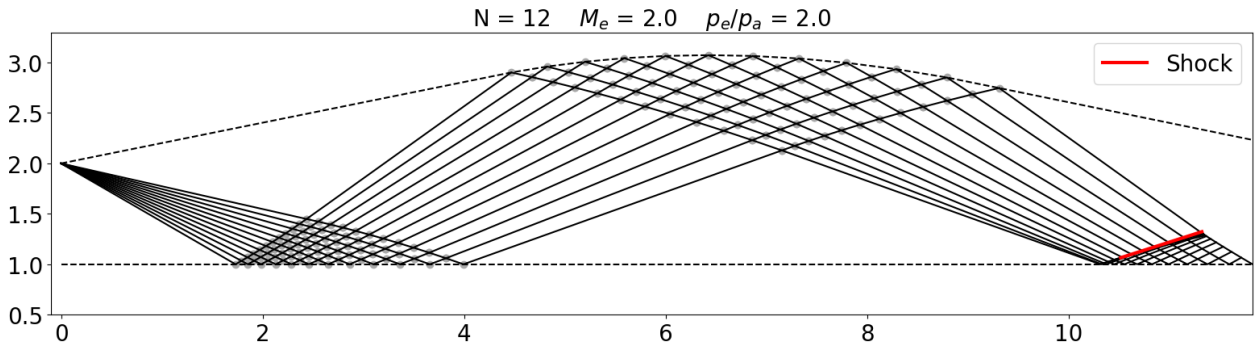


Figure 1: Downstream of jet exit with 12 characteristic lines, $M_e = 2.0$, $p_e/p_a = 2.0$

H of 2 and small enough number of characteristic lines, N , of 12 was chosen for the plot in order to allow for visualisation of the intersections of characteristics, shown by the translucent grey circles. The red line indicates the location of the shock for this setting and the 2 black dotted lines represents the boundary, the one above

for the jet boundary and the one below for the centerline.

As for the jet boundary, it maintains a constant slope that is directly related to the constant ϕ value of the uniform region directly beneath it until it intersects with N characteristic lines in the second non-simple region. Using the fact that the Prandtl-Meyer angle of the jet boundary is constant due to the constant Mach which is due to the constant pressure p_a along the jet boundary, the interactions between the jet boundary and each characteristic were able to be calculated. The value of ϕ that results from the each interaction gives rise to the new slope value in the downstream.

It can be observed from figure 1 that every interaction reduces the slope of the jet boundary, eventually resulting in a negative jet boundary slope and it maintains the slope after the last interaction.

For the characteristics, they all start from a single point at $(x, y) = (0, H)$ as negative slopes and are diverging. After reflecting off the centerline, they are still diverging but starts converging after the interaction with the jet boundary. This is contributed by the prior intersections between characteristics where the subsequent characteristics have reductions in slopes.

3 Mach distribution

For the plot of mach distribution, a much higher number of characteristics of 30 was used to show the smooth transition along the jet downstream and this is shown in the figure 2.

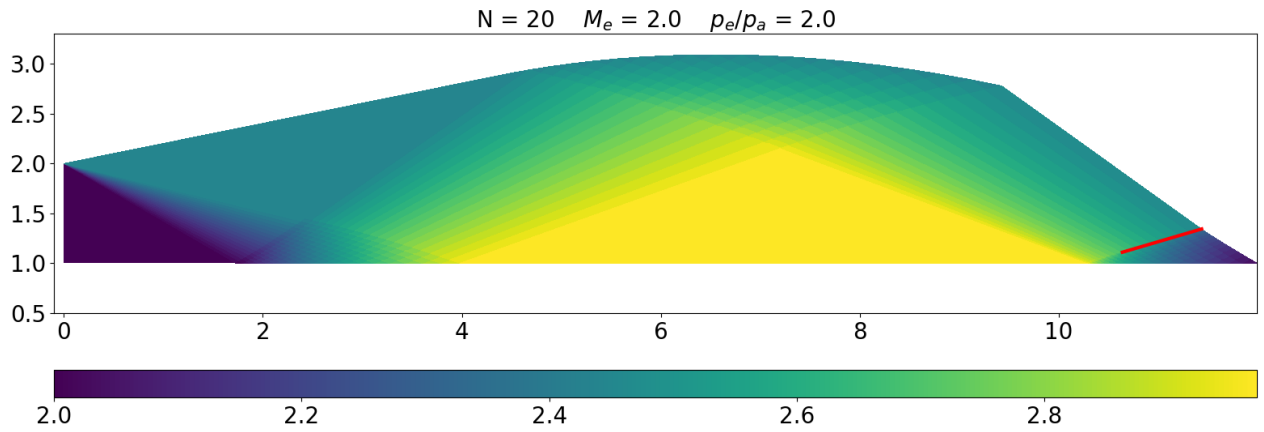


Figure 2: Mach distribution with 25 characteristic lines, $M_e = 2.0$, $p_e/p_a = 2.0$

The plot has been coloured based on the magnitude of the Mach number in the jet downstream and the colourbar below the figure describes the values of Mach number that corresponds to the different colour gradient. Again, the red line indicates the location of the shock.

As expected, the Mach number along the boundary seems to be constant. Furthermore, every expansion wave results in a higher Mach number. It can also be observed that the characteristics downstream of the yellow uniform region are compression waves leading to the shock. These compression waves result from the varying parameters of the jet boundary with which the expansion waves interacts with and reflects off from.

4 Streamlines

Two streamlines that start at different height are shown in this section with their respective changes in pressure throughout the jet downstream.

4.1 Starting on the centerline of the jet exit, $y = H/2$

For $H = 2$, the centerline of the jet exit is located at $y = 1.0$ as shown in the figure 3. The streamline starting at this point, $(x, y) = (0, 1.0)$ is described by the orange line.

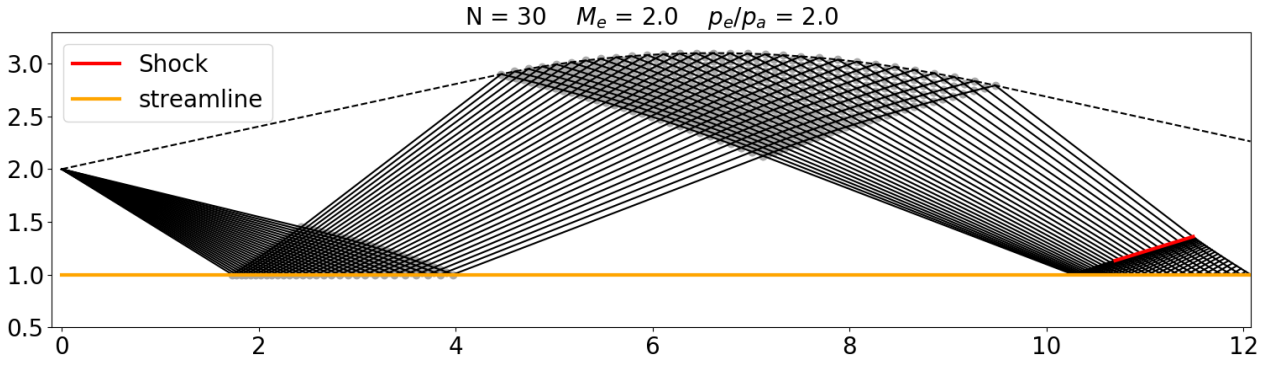


Figure 3: Streamline starting at $y = H/2$, $M_e = 2.0$, $p_e/p_a = 2.0$

It can be observed that the streamline stays on the centerline throughout the jet downstream. The pressure ratio, p/p_T , where p_T is the total pressure, of the streamline has been plotted in the figure 4.

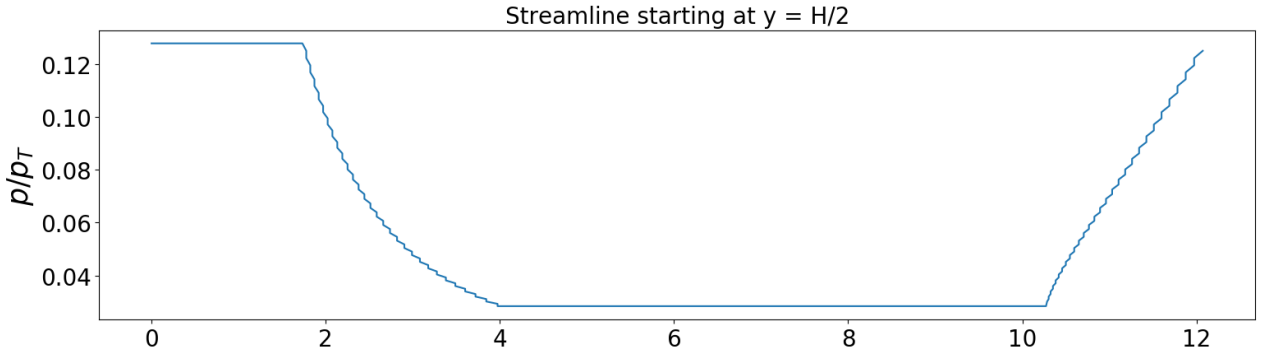


Figure 4: Pressure plot along streamline starting at $y = H/2$, $M_e = 2.0$, $p_e/p_a = 2.0$

The pressure along the streamline stays constant initially throughout the uniform region until it reaches the non-simple region wherein the Mach number increased due to expansion. The pressure of the streamline in this region exponentially decreased and then stays constant again through the next uniform region. It can be observed that the exponential decrease is not depicted as a smooth line but with small zig-zag behaviour due to the various intersections of the characteristics in this non-simple region. Afterwards, the pressure spikes up in the last non-simple region where the flow is compressed and it is also where the shock is supposed to appear indicated by the red line. Thus, the pressure plot describes the streamline in a way that I have expected it to be.

4.2 Starting at $y = 3H/4$

The streamline starting at $(x, y) = (0, 3H/4) = (0, 1.5)$ is analysed in this subsection using the figure 5.

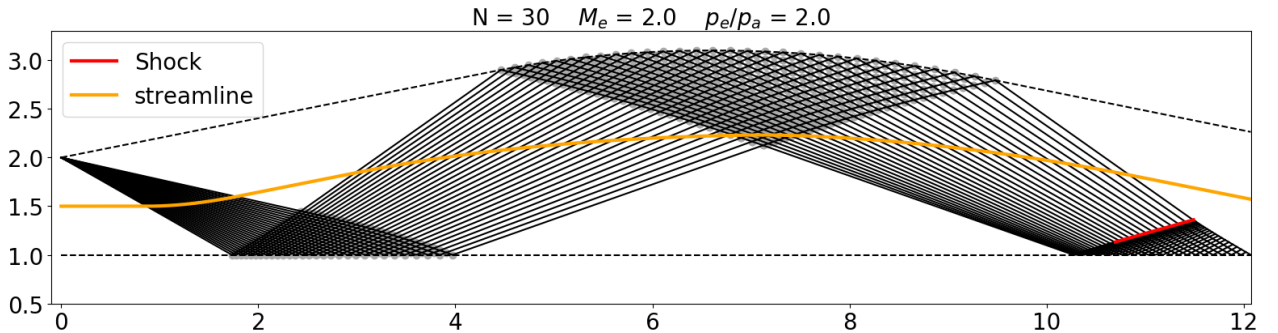


Figure 5: Streamline starting at $y = 3H/4$, $M_e = 2.0$, $p_e/p_a = 2.0$

Again, the orange line describes the streamline throughout the jet downstream. This time, the streamline varies in height and is seen to be closely following the shape of the jet boundary after the first interaction with the expansion fan. The streamline first crosses the first simple region before shortly remaining in the uniform

region and proceeding to the second simple region. It then briefly goes through the non-simple region beneath the jet boundary and passes through the last simple region (that is present before the shock).

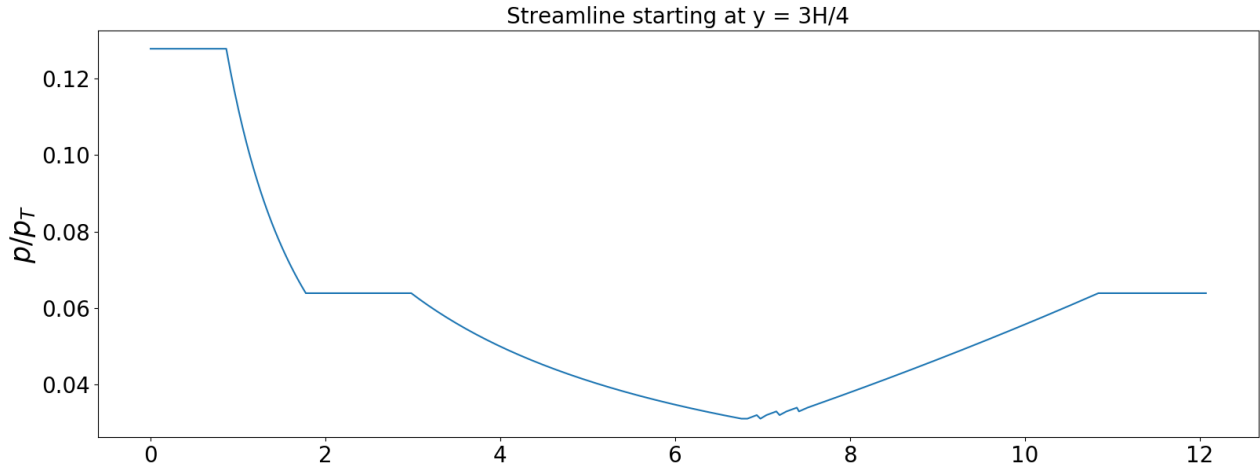


Figure 6: Pressure plot along streamline starting at $y = 3H/4$, $M_e = 2.0$, $p_e/p_a = 2.0$

The pressure plot for this streamline has more features. The pressure remains constant initially for the uniform region until the simple region where it reduces exponentially. This is correct as going through an expansion fan results in higher Mach number and lower pressure. The streamline then goes through another uniform region where the pressure remains constant until it meets the second simple region in which it decreases exponentially again. As it meets the non-simple region, the zig-zag behaviour is seen again due to crossings of multiple characteristics in the region with an ultimate increase in pressure. It then has another quasi-linear increase as it goes through the last simple region before maintaining the final value of pressure as it meets the uniform region.

In conclusion, the pressure plots have depicted the behaviour of the streamline as I have expected where pressure decreases for simple region consisting of expansion waves, increases for simple region consisting of compression waves and remains constant for uniform region. However, through the plots, I have learnt that the first non-uniform region (around $x = 2$ to $x = 4$) is expansion waves dominant whereas the second non-uniform region (below jet boundary) is compression waves dominant.

5 Computation accuracy

The computations are exact for the uniform regions due to the absence of any characteristic intersections. Furthermore, at all characteristic intersections in the non-simple regions, the values of the parameters are exact as well. However, the location as to where these intersections occur are not exact. This is because we are trying to compute a non-linear regions that supposedly have curved characteristics using linear characteristics. This then of course affects the subsequent simple regions as well. Likewise, the invariant values of the characteristics are exact but the sizes of the regions are not entirely accurate.

With the computational method that was implemented in my script, for a low number of characteristics, the shock seems to appear at inaccurate locations, earlier in the downstream compared to larger number of characteristics, in the simple region bounded by corners FGH which is before the compression waves are reflected off the centerline. This is probably due to consecutive characteristics being alot further away than they are for larger number of characteristics, which leads to

6 Location of the shock

The change in location of the shock is studied in this section with respect to change in Mach number and exit pressure

6.1 Variance in Mach number

Firstly, the effect of Mach number is shown in the figures below.

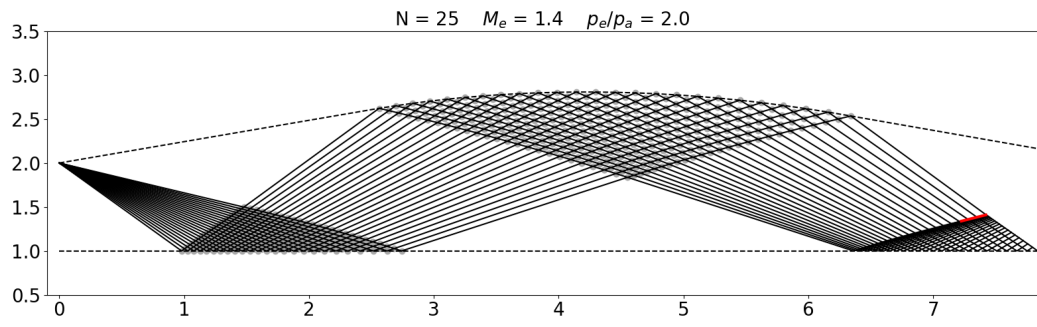


Figure 7: Characteristics pattern, $M_e = 1.4$, $p_e/p_a = 2.0$

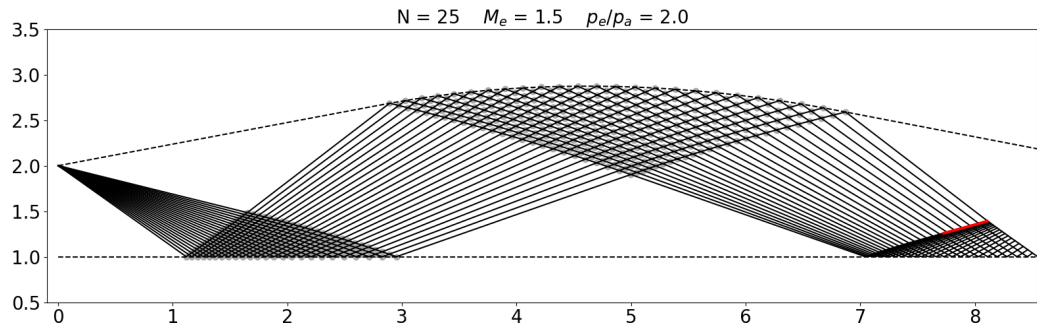


Figure 8: Characteristics pattern, $M_e = 1.5$, $p_e/p_a = 2.0$

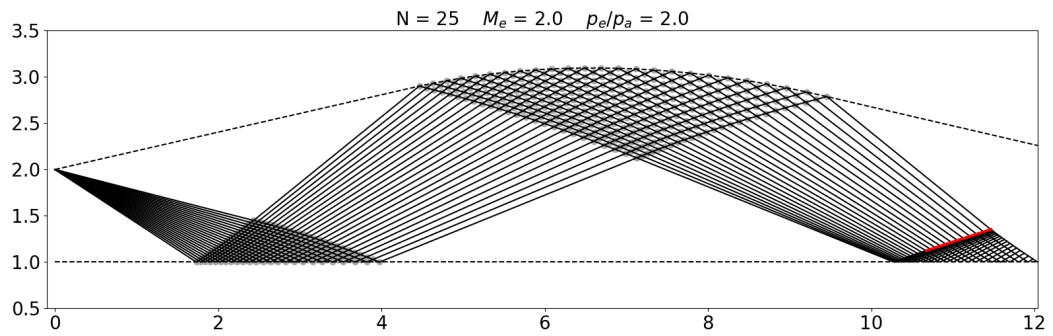


Figure 9: Characteristics pattern, $M_e = 2.0$, $p_e/p_a = 2.0$

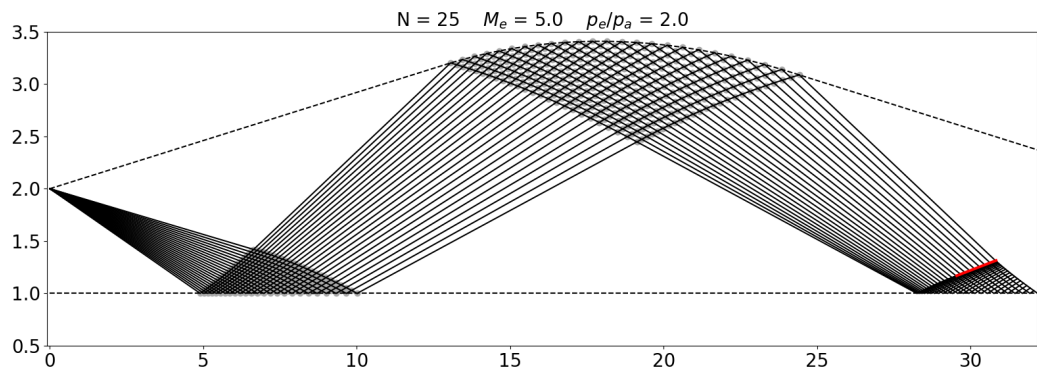


Figure 10: Characteristics pattern, $M_e = 5.0$, $p_e/p_a = 2.0$

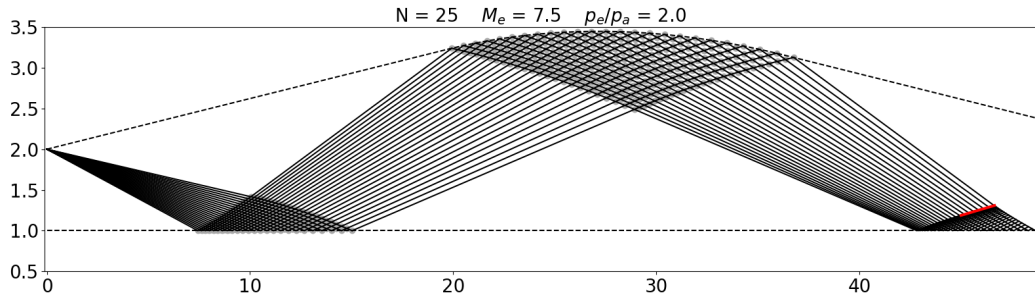


Figure 11: Characteristics pattern, $M_e = 7.5$, $p_e/p_a = 2.0$

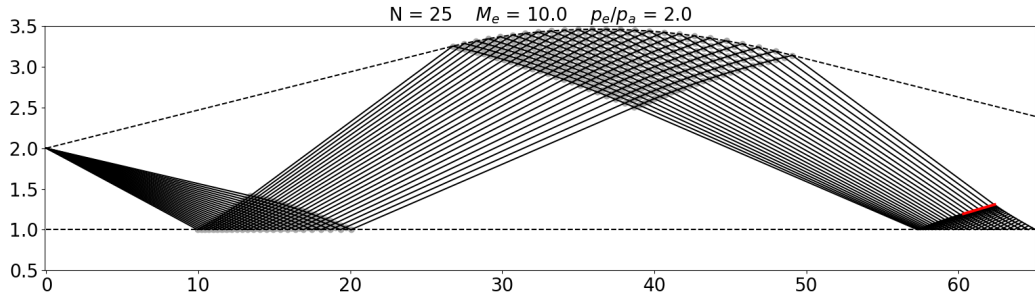


Figure 12: Characteristics pattern, $M_e = 10.0$, $p_e/p_a = 2.0$

It can be observed that compared to $M_e = 2$, the shock (indicated by the red lines) forms later for both smaller and larger values of M_e and this occurs in a gradual behaviour whereby the change in Mach number is proportional to the change in shock location.

6.2 Variance in pressure

The effect of exit pressure is shown in the figures below.

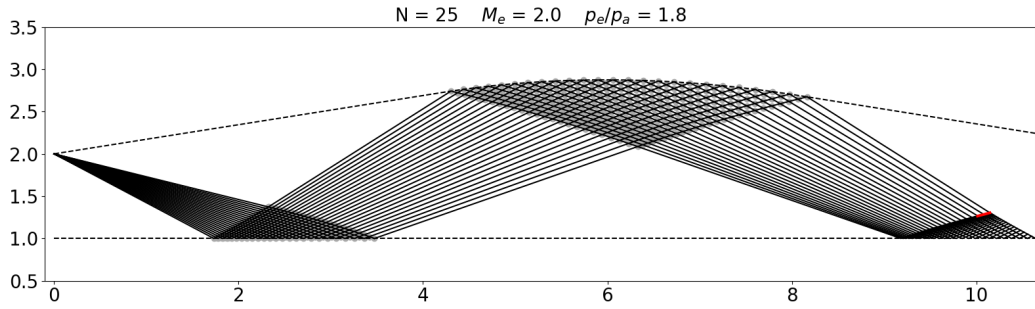


Figure 13: Characteristics pattern, $M_e = 2.0$, $p_e/p_a = 1.8$

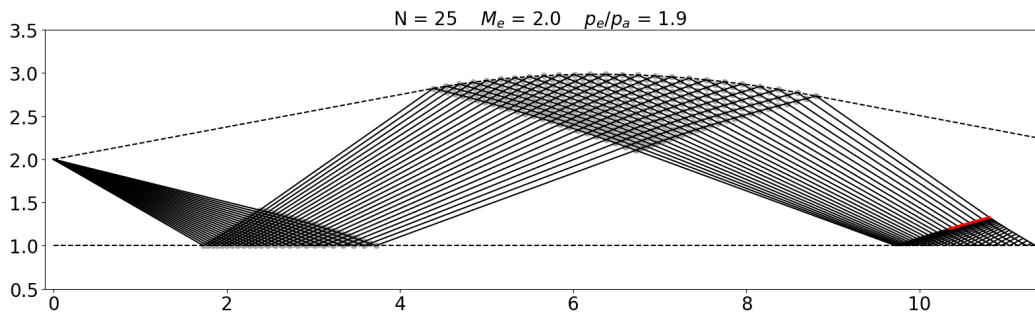


Figure 14: Characteristics pattern, $M_e = 2.0$, $p_e/p_a = 1.9$

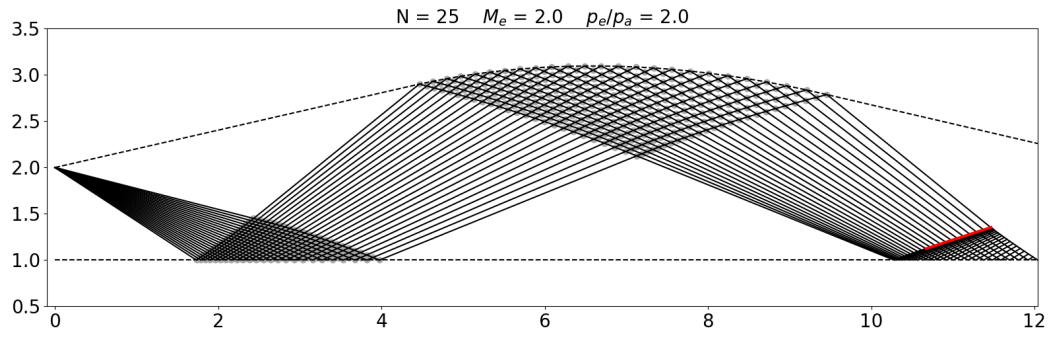


Figure 15: Characteristics pattern, $M_e = 2.0$, $p_e/p_a = 2.0$

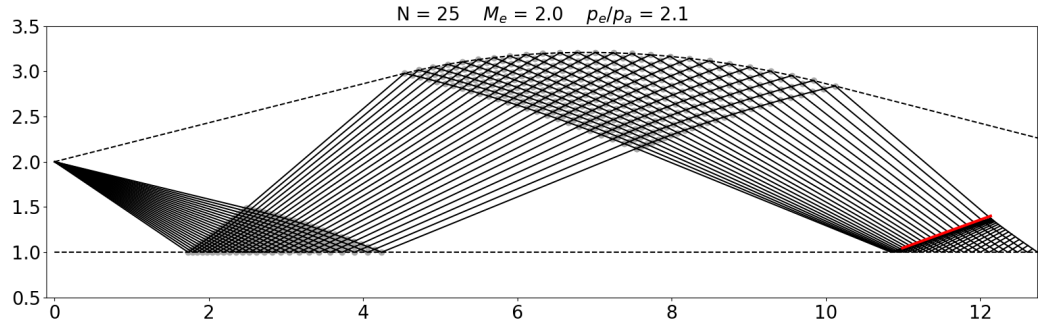


Figure 16: Characteristics pattern, $M_e = 2.0$, $p_e/p_a = 2.1$

Unlike the variance with Mach number wherein the shock location depicted a parabola pattern, appearing earlier and then delaying again, for the variance in exit pressure, the shock location shows a uni-directional behaviour. With increase in exit pressure, the shock location moves forwards, at a location nearer to the jet exit.